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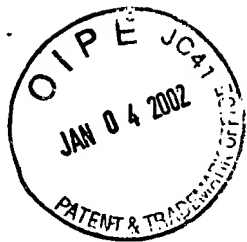
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SERIAL NO.: 09/848,096 GROUP NO.: 2633  
FILING DATE: May 3, 2001 EXAMINER: Unassigned  
TITLE: TANDEM FILTERS FOR REDUCING INTERSYMBOL  
INTERFERENCE IN OPTICAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97, Applicants hereby make of record the references listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the references are enclosed.

REMARKS

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97, this statement is being filed (CHECK ONE):

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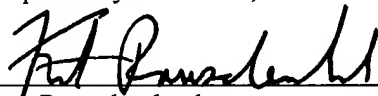
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